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FAA Ends "Taxi To" Instruction, What Should Go Next?

Saturday, June 26, 2010

By Andrew Schmertz

In part of its on-going effort to reduce runway incursion incidents, the FAA will officially change the way tower controllers give taxi instructions. As of June 30, gone will be the "Taxi to" instruction to be replaced with a lot more words. For example, if you fly out of Republic-Farmingdale (FRG) on Long Island, a... »

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As a supporter of the light sport effort, and as someone who flies an LSA (the Sportcruiser, to the left), the recent audit report from the FAA on the LSA manufacturing industry should set off alarm bells. You can find the report on avweb's... »

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Facing Little Choice, Cirrus Says the Jet is Moving Along

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After posting a better than 30 percent increase in sales (though it's hardly a boom), Cirrus Aircraft says it is moving ahead with plans to build and certify is Cirrus Vision light jet. (avweb.com) What else was Cirrus going to say? It's entire future is... »

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Like many interested in the LSA category, we were excited to hear that Piper would now be marketing and putting its name behind a light sport. In this case, Piper chose the Czech-made Sportcruiser. The company could not have made a better choice. Sure,... »